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Hon. Commissioner for Patents
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AMENDMENT AND REPLY UNDER 37 C.F.R. § 1.111

Sir:

This is in response to the September 6, 2005 Office Action in the above-identified application. Applicants submit concurrently herewith a Petition under 37 C.F.R. § 1.136(a) and authorization to charge the fee required under 37 C.F.R. § 1.17 (a)(3) to extend the time for filing this reply for three months, up to and including March 6, 2006. Accordingly, this reply is timely filed.

Kindly amend the application as follows:

AMENDMENTS TO THE SPECIFICATION begin on page 3 of this paper.

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AMENDMENTS TO THE CLAIMS are reflected in the Listing of Claims that begins on page 35 of this paper.

REMARKS begin on page 57 of this paper.